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POLITICAL CRIME NOT SO BAD NOW

'But We Are Not Out Of the Wood Yet'

WHEN the Minister for Justice (Mr. O. Boland) introduced the Estimates for the Department of Justice, Civic Guards, District Court, Supreme and High Courts, and Land Registry and Registry of Deeds, in the Dail yesterday, he said there had been no increase or decrease in the total crime in 1943, compared with 1942, though the figures were much above those of pre-war years.

Political crime was not as bad as in other years, "but I cannot say that we are out of the wood yet," the Minister added. He also announced that it would be necessary to increase the Dublin Police Force.

Mr. BOLAND said that the estimates showed increases which totalled £88,000, including £70,500 for the Civic Guard and £6,500 for pensions. In Dublin there had been a decrease in indictable offences, and that decrease had continued into the first quarter of 1944. The figures for Dublin were:—1943, 2,603; 1944, 2,150. Bicycle stealing had decreased substantially, but the stealing of coats from hotels was increasing.

Speaking of political crime, he said: "In the last six or eight months they have been very quiet. On three occasions since last year police officers were fired on in effecting arrests." Civilians, he said, had also been fired on. There were 78 people in custody who had been sentenced for political offences, and 210 interned. Last year the figures were were 99 and 554. The number of police in Dublin was 1,576.

The MINISTER paid a tribute to the Local Security Force for their help to the Civic Guards.

UNSATISFACTORY

Mr. FITZGERALD-KENNEY (F.G.) said that he did not like to see the Minister "push aside" the crime that was being committed. He thought the situation was far from satisfactory. The decrease in political crime probably was due to the internment policy, which was an absolute necessity. They could not, however, regard the danger as altogether over. He thought interned people usually were worse when they came out of internment.

Ordinary crime seemed to be attributed by the Minister to the fact that there were not sufficient Guards in Dublin. He wondered if the time would ever come when the Guards in Dublin would be kept at police work. Point duty was not police work—yet a great many of them were kept at it. He said that the recent increase of 10s. a week to the Guards was not sufficient.

Mr. W. DAVIN (Lab.), referring to complaints which had come to his knowledge, said that the Minister for Justice had power to issue warrants for the censoring of internal correspondence, and during the year there had been an increase in the number of warrants so issued as compared with any previous year. "Can the Minister state," he asked, "that the persons authorised on his signature to open internal correspondence are sworn to secrecy, or has any case come to his notice during the last year where the servants of the State, acting under the powers given by this warrant, have made use, as I am informed, of the contents of that correspondence for political purposes? It is a serious statement to make, but I believe I am justified in making that statement, because I have in my possession a signed statement from a responsible citizen in which are statements which would go to indicate that such a thing has happened."

ASSURANCE ASKED

Mr. DAVIN said he mentioned the matter because he had information that letters had been opened and the contents in some cases used by politically-minded police agents, in his opinion, for purely political purposes.

Mr. BOLAND—I don't know what you are talking about.

Mr. DAVIN said that statements had been made that a colleague of his was a Communist. That was untrue, but police agents and spies regarded it as their duty to spread such stories. He wanted a definite assurance from the Minister that when he issued a warrant to State servants to open internal correspondence, that these people would be sworn to secrecy and that they would be such people as would not use that correspondence for political and party purposes.

Alderman A. BYRNE asked if anything could be done by the Minister to stop the lying and vicious slanders being perpetrated on this country by outside newspapers, and by the cinema, even, in an adjoining part of this country.

The SPEAKER—That is a matter for External Affairs.

Alderman BYRNE—The latest slander is being circulated by Sir Hugh O'Neill, M.P. in the six counties.

The SPEAKER—That is not a matter for this House.

Alderman M. O'SULLIVAN (Lab.) said that their approach to the children's delinquency question did not redound to their credit; the attitude appeared to be punitive raher than corrective. More probation officers were needed, as well as homes of a suitable type to replace reformatories. The Minister could congratulate himself on the existence of such an admirable force as the Civic Guards. He suggested that the present retiring allowances were not adequate.

Sir JOHN L. ESMONDE (F.G.) said that he thought the personnel of the Censorship of Publications should be widened, and that the Minister should not rely entirely on the professorial type of mind. They were often laughed at from the outside about this matter: books that should not get through got through, and other books that should get in were banned.

Mr. R. CORISH (Lab.) pressed for better rates of wages for the Civic Guard.

Mr. JAMES DILLON (Ind., Monaghan) said that he thought they ought to have reached a stage in this country when citizens of this country must make up their mind that they were not entitled to take up arms to intimidate their neighbours. So long as there were people, no matter how sincere or patriotic they might be, who claimed the right to impose their will upon their neighbour by the force of arms then there would be internments, and there ought to be internments. "I do not care whether these people come from the Right or Left," he said. "If there is any man in this country who sets himself up as a claimant of the right to intimidate his neighbour by the force of arms, I would jail him if I could, and intern him if I could, not only for the protection of his neighbour, but for his own good."

Everyone agreed that the Borstal in this country was scandalous; the whole approach was wrong. He submitted that the departmental view was evidenced by the fact that they seemed to think that the distinction between a Borstal and a prison was a question of age. Their Borstal was so bad that no responsible Justice or Judge would send a boy to it if he could conceivably do anything else with him. The result was that in the Borstal there was the worst possible type of boy.

He referred to what he styled "the terrific impact on young impressionable minds" of the cinema, and said they were entitled to protect children from he occasions of corruption. They must go about this in a practical way. It was not practical to exclude children under fourteen from cinemas. They would have to raise the age to sixteen, and should provide special juvenile cinemas for these young people.

BUDGET DATE

IN reply to Mr. F. Lynch, in the Dail yesterday, Mr. S. T. O'Kelly, Minister for Finance, stated that he hoped to have the Budget ready for introduction on Wednesday, May 3rd.

T.D. Criticises Attitude Of Parents

Mr. T. LINEHAN (F.G.) said that the two main causes for the increase in juvenile crime were, first, that home conditions in poor families drove the children out on the streets. There was a grave lack of parental control. There was also a type of mentality among parents which presented their children being reprimanded. As regards dance halls, parents were to blame who allowed their children from fifteen years to seventeen to frequent dance halls. The second thing they would have to do was to get parents to face up to their responsibility in these matters. Another factor to which they could apportion some of the blame was the lack of public spirit among their citizens.

He also referred to the growing habit among District Justices of hearing cases in camera—though he fully realised there were certain kinds of cases that must be heard in camera. While admitting that, however, he asserted that one thing that must not be heard in camera was that when a person was brought before a District Justice for the taking of depositions in an indictable charge, that charge shall be announced publicly to the Press. In cases where a justice proceeds to hear a case in camera it should be made clear to the Press what the charge was, who the accused was, and the fact that the justice had decided to hear the case in camera.

Mr. R. CONNOLLY (Lab.) suggested the setting up of a council on prison reform. They could not consider themselves free until such places as Mountjoy were torn down and the stones used to build hospitals.

He expressed the view that the time had come when the public should be made aware of the reason for the continued internment of the men now detained as internees.

Mr. BOLAND said that a few of those released had broken their bonds, and a few men could do dangerous work. If he had his way, he would keep those still in locked up, even after the emergency; in fact, he would keep them in until they changed their attitude and admitted that they had not the right to kill.

Mr. CONNOLLY said that these men should be tried.

AUDITOR-GENERAL

Earlier in the sitting,

Mr. DE VALERA proposed a motion on the Order Paper that Mr. John Maher, at present Secretary and Director of Audit in the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor-General, be nominated for appointment by the President as Comptroller and Auditor-General in succession to Mr. George McGrath, who has retired from the position.

Mr. de Valera paid a tribute to Mr. McGrath, who, he said, had filled that most responsible office with ability and the utmost attention to his duties.

In the proposal which he was now making they had a man who had been in the office of the Comptroller and Auditor-General for the past twenty-one years, and who had, while there, proved himself to be just the type of person who was required.

Seconding the proposal, Mr. F. LYNCH, Deputy Leader, Fine Gael, said that Mr. McGrath had been an able and painstaking officer, who had served the State well in its formative years.

LABOUR'S VIEW

Mr. W. NORTON (Labour) joined in the tribute to Mr. McGrath, who had, he said, served the State with outstanding ability and had revealed a high standard of rectitude. The Labour Party, however, were not prepared to support the motion to nominate Mr. Maher, and intimation to that effect, he thought, had been conveyed to the Taoiseach through the inembers of his party. The House was being asked to appoint a man who would safeguard their interests and the rights which they had under the Constitution. As far as they knew, no steps had been taken to test the suitability of candidates other than the one proposed by An Taoiseach. He did not want to make the slightest reflection on the character of Mr. Maher, and he had no intention of saying anything which would reflect on his integrity, but they understood that Mr. Maher had been requested some time ago to attend before the inquiry held into the dealings in Railway shares. He understood that Mr. Maher had attended and had given evidence before that inquiry, and, so far as the public evidence was available, it indicated that Mr. Maher had been engaged in large-scale transactions in Railway shares during the period covered by the inquiry. These transactions might have been of the most correct character. There may not be the slightest justification of any kind for alleging even the remotest malpractice against Mr. Maher, but, said Mr. Norton, we have had no report whatever from this Tribunal so far.

Associating himself with the tributes paid to Mr. McGrath by An Taoiseach, the Opposition leaders and other speakers, Mr. DILLON said that the Labour leader had raised a point that should not have been raised. The House could at any time take measures to end the Auditor-General's tenure of office. When a man went openly and frankly before a Commission and put before them the facts regarding the financial transactions involved, there was no question as to his integrity and honesty. Mr. Maher's conduct had been that of an honourable man. No charge had been made against him.

Mr. DE VALERA expressed surprise at the Labour Party's opposition to the motion.

"It is unfortunate that he was a witness before a tribunal," continued Mr. de Valera. "Nevertheless, because people were inclined to confuse the position of a person giving evidence and a person being charged that point was raised. There is no charge. It is true that in his evidence he explained certain transactions of his own—private transactions. Are we going to take the position that a person who is giving evidence as a tribunal is a guilty person?"

The motion was passed unanimously, without a division.

Warships Sunk By "Human" Torpedoes

DETAILS were disclosed last night of one of Britain's newest secret weapons—the "human" torpedo. They have already been used with conspicuous success in the Mediterranean, the Press Association states.

Each "human" torpedo—about the same size and shape as the ordinary torpedo—is manned by two men of the submarine service. Wearing diving suits, they sit astride the "fish," dive under the target, leave an explosive charge, and escape on the body cylinder.

Accompanying the first details are announced awards to men who took part in one of the first attacks—at Palermo harbour.

During a night attack, in January, 1943, against the strongly defended base at Palermo, several "human" torpedoes negotiated a net defence and proceeded undetected across the whole length of the harbour.

One craft attacked and sank the Italian Regolo Class cruiser Ulpio Traiano, which was completing for service.

A second torpedo attacked the transport Viminale (8,500 tons), which was lying alongside the jetty, and so severely damaged her aft that she had to be towed away for repairs. During this passage she was sunk.

"Human" torpedoes are driven by electric batteries. A charge similar to the warhead of a torpedo is attached to the nose. These craft are manoeuvred at slow speed towards their targets and dive under them. The charges are then detached from the main body and fixed to the bottom of the enemy ships. Time fuses are set, and the torpedoes, now minus their warheads, are driven away to be clear of the target area before the charges detonate.

OXYGEN TUBE

The torpedoes are stated by the P.A. naval correspondent to be similar to the "special devices" used by the Italians at Gibraltar.

The British torpedo is virtually submerged when the two men are astride, and the second man is awash almost to his armpits. To a light, pliable diving suit an oxygen tube is attached for use during immersion. The suits completely cover the men from head to foot. They can see through a flap window, which can be opened.

Air Armada Hits Berlin

NEARLY 2,000 American aircraft swept out from Britain yesterday to resume the daylight offensive against Germany. Berlin was among the target areas, which, according to the preliminary official report, were deep in the Reich.

While the main force raided Germany, more Liberators, with Thunderbolt escort, bombed the Pas de Calais, and R.A.F. forces swept out over Northern France.

It was probably the greatest daylight armada yet, writes a P.A. air correspondent, who adds that Flying Fortresses and Liberators numbered anything up to 1,000, and the long-range fighter escort was also around the four figure mark.

Germany had an eight-hour non-stop daylight air-raid alarm. The "all clear" was given at 8 p.m., but at 11 p.m. German radio said: "Hostile aircraft are over North-western Germany."

It is officially stated that among the targets attacked by the Flying Fortresses and Liberators were the Heinkel bomber production centre at Oranienburg, 20 miles north-east of Berlin, and an aircraft component factory at Rathenaw, 35 miles north-west of Berlin.

Strong forces of Allied Expeditionary Air Force medium and light bombers late yesterday afternoon struck concerted blows at targets in Northern France and Belgium.

A British Air Ministry communiqué yesterday stated that on Monday night Mosquitos of Bomber Command attacked objectives in Cologne.—(Reuter and P.A.)

LONDON RAID

During a short alert early this morning London's ground defences put up a heavy barrage. The raid was not on a large scale.

In the London area flares were dropped and a number of incidents reported. High explosives caused casualties.

A house in the London area was demolished by a German plane that was brought down during an intense barrage.—(P.A.)

Minister to Pay £27,150

MR. JUSTICE HAUGH in the High Court, Dublin, yesterday, gave judgment for £27,150, with costs, to the vendors of Santry Court, Co. Dublin, and the Joint Committee of Management of Grangegorman Mental Hospital, purchasers, in their action against the Minister for Defence claiming £35,000 damages for breach of a letting agreement, whereby the Minister, it was stated, had agreed to pay compensation for any damage to the premises while they were in military occupation.

The premises were destroyed by fire while the military were in occupation, on October 24th, 1941; and the Minister pleaded that the destruction having been caused by accidental fire he was not liable under the agreement to reinstate them.

Mr. Justice Haugh said that he was constrained to conclude that an agreement had been given on behalf of the Minister to be responsible for damage caused to the premises during military occupation, and that he was satisfied that the accidental fire which had destroyed the mansion had been caused by the military being in occupation. He gave a stay of execution for 21 days.

Mr. J. A. Costello, S.C.; Mr. Cecil Lavery, S.C.; Mr. W. O'B. Fitzgerald, S.C., and Mr. Patrick Bourke (instructed by Messrs. James O'Connor and Co.) appeared for the vendors and the purchasers; and Mr. R. McLoughlin, S.C.; Mr. R. McGonigal, S.C., and Mr. Carroll O'Daly (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor) for the Minister.

Oranges and lemons drew many customers to Dublin fruit shops yesterday.

A MEETING between the G.S.R. and the unions catering for railway workers will open to-day. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the effect of the reduced train services on employment throughout the G.S.R. system.

HEAVY CUTS IN GOODS TRAINS

MONDAYS and Thursdays will be passenger train days on the Great Southern Railways from Monday next. Goods trains will run on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

For passenger traffic the current Time Table will remain unchanged.

The number of passengers carried on the through main lines will be limited to haulage capacity. A system of advance booking involving the issue of single tickets only will be introduced from to-morrow. A skeleton road service will be provided in a number of instances where branch lines necessitate it.

The branches on which passenger services will cease to run from Monday next are:— Dublin-Tullow; Dublin-Kingscourt; Mullingar-Cavan, and Waterford-New Ross-Macmine Junction. All services will be discontinued on the following branches: Bagenalstown-Palace East; Maryborough-Mountmellick; Birdhill-Killaloe; Goolds Cross-Cashel; Fermoy-Mitchelstown; Banteer-Newmarket; Tralee-Fenit; Crossdoney-Killeshandra; Woodenbridge - Shillelagh; Schull-Skibbereen; Clara-Streamstown.

The services on the Waterford-Wexford, Clonmel-Waterford, and Headford Junction-Kenmare lines will be reduced by the elimination of the 7.50 a.m. Waterford to Wexford and 12.15 p.m. return train; the 8 a.m. Clonmel to Waterford, and the 10.40 a.m. Headford Junction to Kenmare and the return service at 3.15 p.m.

With the contraction of goods services, it has become necessary to cut out no fewer than 34 goods trains.

The modifications in suburban services will involve the discontinuance of two trains per day from Cork to Cobh, and the elimination of the Sunday service. The 7.30 p.m. from Bray to Amiens street, and the 10.55 p.m. Amiens street to Bray will be removed. Two trains daily will be taken off the Waterford-Tramore service, and the Sunday service wiped out.

On all lines, except the suburban services, return tickets will not be issued after the new regulations come into effect, and main line journeys must be undertaken on single tickets. This is the basis of a scheme for the limitation of passengers, and advance booking is being introduced at Dublin, Cork, Limerick, Waterford, Tralee, Galway, Sligo, Ballina, Westport and Athlone booking offices. At other points on the system tickets will be available only on Mondays and Thursdays if accommodation is available. The booking for the trains on Monday next will begin to-morrow. Public access to platforms at the principal termini will not be allowed when the new schedule comes into force. Platform tickets are being discontinued.

Goods traffic will be accepted only on the days of running, and in order to ensure the best service in the circumstances it has been decided to discontinue the handling of sundry southern-bound traffic at the North Wall. Next week this traffic must be conveyed to Kingsbridge depôt, and only wagon-load traffic for southern stations will be taken at the North Wall. It is anticipated that there will be initial difficulties, and that some short period must elapse before a return to smooth, orderly running can be achieved.

It is anticipated that the live-stock trade will suffer considerable inconvenience, especially in respect of the transport of stock from the smaller fairs and areas where special trains formerly were available. In a number of instances, such as Dublin-Tullow, Newmarket-Banteer, Waterford-Macmine Junction, and Woodenbridge / Shillelagh, skeleton bus services will be introduced. For instance, between Dublin and Tullow buses will run in each direction on Mondays and Thursdays, and a service will operate from Waterford on the same days connecting with the train from Wexford to Dublin at Enniscorthy.

The restrictions in the service between Cork and Dublin will add to the difficulties caused by the cancellation of all cross-Channel sailings from Cork. These sailings had been reduced to two or three weekly, and they provided the principal avenue for exports of southern live-stock and agricultural produce and imports of miscellaneous goods.

Cattle Traders' Decision

It was decided at last night's meeting of the Irish Livestock Exporters' and Traders' Association that a special meeting of their National Executive would be convened, and a deputation appointed to interview the Department of Agriculture, the shipping companies, and the railway companies in order to clear up the position brought about by the transport restrictions and by the new arrangements for the shipment of cattle.

The Secretary (Mr. J. Fleming) said that for the export of cattle there would be available one large boat each night from Dublin to Holyhead, and one each week from Dublin to Scotland. There would be two boats per week from Belfast to Scotland.

Mr. P. Donnelly said that the South of Ireland had been cut off by rail, which might have the effect of decreasing in value the exports to England, and particularly to Scotland, because of the number of changes necessary in delivery of cattle and the time involved.

The "Irish Times" War Distress Fund

SUBSCRIPTIONS received yesterday brought the *Irish Times* Fund for the relief of war distress to £12,883 9s. 7d. Further subscriptions are invited. Cheques should be made payable to the Irish Times, Ltd., and crossed "Irish Red Cross Society."

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Diplomatists' Privileges Threatened

PROTESTS BY NEUTRALS EXPECTED

NEUTRAL Governments are expected to register a formal protest against the restrictions placed on their diplomatic missions in Britain, Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent stated last night.

A Stockholm message says: "Sweden is expected to reply within the next 24 hours."

New powers taken by the British Government last night include authority to remove certain privileges from the heads of foreign missions and their staffs. Placing these in the same category as "any other alien," the new regulations affect the Irish High Commissioner and his staff.

German Invasion Warning

Changes in the defence regulations were made last night by the British Government.

One amendment provides that, notwithstanding any rule of law, any provision may be made by an Order in Council respecting the heads of foreign diplomatic missions and members of their households and staff which could be made by such an Order in Council with respect to any other alien.

This gives the power to remove certain privileges, and, comments the Press Association Lobby Correspondent, it is interesting following the other measures taken by Britain to watch more closely diplomatic activities.

Another new regulation deals with the control of roads, and is designed to secure, in connection with military movements, the free passage of military and other essential traffic, and to deal with abnormal road traffic conditions due directly or indirectly to these movements, or to enemy attack.

FORMAL ACTION

Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent writes:—

It seems probable that a neutral Governments will register a formal protest against the restrictions placed on their diplomatic missions in Great Britain.

In most cases the object would be simply to uphold a principle, the argument being that failure to protest could be construed as concurrence in a breach of that principle.

The British Government has informed the heads of diplomatic missions that in cases of urgency the Foreign Office will, on request, put into its own cipher and transmit to its own representative abroad, for communication to the Government concerned, messages submitted in plain language by an Ambassador or Minister in London.

Sweden is expected to reply within the next 24 hours on the British diplomatic ban, states a Reuter message from Stockholm. This may be a request for explanations and the reservation of all rights, or a protest on the basis of international rights.

Observers do not believe Sweden will retaliate by restricting British diplomatic movements or communications.

The only two Press reactions were contradictory. *Aftonbladet* said: "If Sweden and other neutrals accept without ado the cancellation on British orders of their rightful possibilities of maintaining contact with their Legations in London, it would mean a kind of acquiescence in an attack against their sovereignty. It is quite clear these Powers must impose the same restrictions on Britain."

Allehanda stated: "There is nothing to say against the logic of the British reasoning. It is a different question whether the affected countries should take similar measures against the British representatives."

Triple Wedding

AT Banagher, near Dungiven, Co. Derry, yesterday, three brothers married three sisters.

The bridegrooms were George, Walter and Brendan Mullan, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mullan, of Dungiven, and the brides, respectively, were Kathleen, Margaret and Bridie Murphy, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Murphy, of Carnabane, Dungiven. The couples are on honeymoon in Dublin.

BADOGLIO'S DIFFICULT PROBLEM

MARSHAL BADOGLIO is running into difficulties in his selection of a Cabinet to unite the various elements of liberated Southern Italy, but he is expected to complete his task by to-morrow.

The Junta of the six democratic parties yesterday concluded a two-hour session without issuing a communiqué. So far it has not found Badoglio's Cabinet proposals satisfactory.

These are believed to include his own retention of the portfolio of foreign affairs, maintenance of the present Army, Navy and Air Ministers in their posts, and the appointment of a technical Finance Minister of his choice.—(Reuter.)

Signor Mussolini presided over a meeting of the Fascist Government yesterday, according to Rome Radio.

Three heavy jabs were made against the Allied lines in Italy yesterday. The attacks were on the Adriatic front, the Anzio bridgehead and above Cassino. All were driven off.

Fifth Army troops in the bridgehead made a thrust of their own to recapture the west flank outpost from which they had previously been ejected by the Germans. It was captured intact.—(Reuter and A.P.).

Allied Gain in Imphal

STRIKING north-east of the plain around Imphal, Allied troops have advanced, and established contact with the Japanese. "They are making satisfactory progress," Admiral Mountbatten's H.Q. at Ceylon reported yesterday, quoted by Reuter.

Twenty miles west of Imphal, fighting continues for a track leading to the town of Silchar. Allied troops drove the Japanese from the position on Sunday, and the Japanese counter-attacked.

Charging with fixed bayonets, Allied troops cleared a Japanese roadblock and hill positions separating two main Allied forces on the Kohima-Dimapur road, an Allied report states.

BALACLAVA CAPTURED

Counter-attacks in Galicia

GENERAL EREMENKO'S troops captured Balaclava yesterday, after overcoming German resistance at the southern approaches to Sebastopol.

The Soviet communiqué announced heavy German counter-attacks in Galicia, designed to check the Russian drive to the vital Carpathian passes.

The Moscow communiqué read:—In the Sebastopol direction our troops, having broken enemy resistance, occupied the town of Balaclava, and fought their way forward into several other inhabited localities.

East of Stanislavov our troops were engaged in repelling enemy attacks, launched with large forces of tanks and infantry, and inflicted heavy losses on them in manpower and equipment.

On other sectors of the front there was patrol activity.

Duncan Hooper, Reuter's Staff Correspondent in Moscow, cabled last night:—

Some of the sharpest fighting is going on south of Sebastopol, where General Eremenko's men, after storming the Baidar Gates through 2,500-foot hills, are fighting forward over minefields, tank traps and road blocks, in a bid to take the defenders in the rear.

Soviet sappers are continually dealing with pilloboxes and obstructions. These are held first in a cone of fire and then blown up by demolition crews—who crawl forward trailing cases of explosives behind them.

BARRICADES UP

Barricades are up in the streets of Sebastopol and scratch units of auxiliary troops, cooks, drivers and clerks are helping to man the defences.

The ring of covering forces holding the bowl of hills protecting the city is stretched to the limit. Once it gives at any point the Red Army has enough fire power massed round the whole perimeter to support an overwhelming breakthrough.

On the mainland front Soviet troops, holding their new Lower Dniester bridgeheads, are fighting off strong counter-attacks in a determined bid to save Kishinev and hold up a coastal drive through Rumania towards the Galatz "gate."

The Germans there have heavily reinforced their Luftwaffe units. They are also trying new tactics to hold off the Stormoviks, sending up groups of fighters to hover in ambush and then swoop down to catch the Soviet pilots at hedge height. The Red Air Force is countering this by providing the Stormoviks with separate fighter escorts drawn from the steadily growing pool assembled for the Rumanian drive.

Soviet long-range aircraft carried out a mass raid on the railway junction and seaport of Constanza, Rumania, during Monday night, says Moscow radio.

Many fires were started. In the port and railway junction several big explosions were seen. One aircraft was lost.

Coastal Ban

A ban on the entire western coast of Jutland, as well as the eastern coast, down to Limfjorden, has been proclaimed by the Germans. Danes are prohibited from entering these areas, according to the Swedish News Agency reports from Copenhagen.

Berlin: "Prepared For Invasion"

A warning to the German armies in the west to "be on their toes" was broadcast last night by the special radio station of the German anti-invasion forces on the Atlantic coast.

"1918 must, in no circumstances, be repeated," the broadcast said. "You must be on your toes in the weeks to come. When zero hour strikes you must fight as you have never fought before. Courage and endurance are the slogans which your commanders give you. Every German soldier must fight like a devil in the battles ahead.

"German soldiers, airmen and sailors stationed here on the western front, listen to us daily, because we shall be your constant companion in the days to come. The enemy is trying to pierce our lines with an intensified rumour campaign. These rumours are planted on our soldiers in a very skilful form, and the enemy hopes that his inventions will reach as many German soldiers as possible.

"One recent rumour said that foreign workers had seized all important buildings in a certain German town, and that S.S. troops had to be called in to restore order. Members of the German armed forces who pass on such rumours will be severely punished, and we will take good care that they do not talk again."

RE-GROUPING

A high German General Staff officer, according to Paris Radio, told a Berlin Press conference: "Germany has just completed re-grouping her reserves on the Western front for the invasion. Germany is now completely ready and the German people may look to the future calmly. Germany does not underestimate the significance of the Allied moves. If the first landings fail, then the Allies will still be in a position to carry out some other moves of very great importance."

LOST — IN THE OCEAN'S DEPTHS

It was just an ordinary Longines watch—not waterproof—but its owner, an ardent fisherman, loved it so much that when one day his line snagged it and pulled it overboard he hired a deep-sea diver to recover it. The watch was rushed to a jeweller who washed out the salt water and oiled the movement. Soon it was going as well as ever. The cost of the diver and the overhaul would have bought a new Longines—but it wouldn't have been the same old friend. Thousands of men and women the world over have the same affection for their Longines watches. *No other watch has had such strange true-life adventures.* Sold in Ireland by selected jewellers only. Stocks are limited just now, but new models are on the way.

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DOWNPATRICK REVIVAL

AFTER a lapse of several years, the revival of racing at Downpatrick is particularly pleasant to record, and, while to-day's meeting will not bring out large fields, it is certain to draw a large attendance.

Most valuable race is the Red Cross 'Chase, and though it will bring out only half a dozen runners, it bears quite an open appearance. C. A. Rogers will saddle a fancied candidate in Sir Sen, while Yung Yat, who has been running well without being able to catch the judge's eye, may improve on recent form; but for the winner a choice is made of Mr. J. V. Rank's Funny, who should be suited by the distance. Selections:—

Sportsman's Plate—**Dromina.**
Locals Plate—**Yung Yat; if absent, Desert Star.**
Red Cross 'Chase—**Funny.**
Downpatrick Plate—**Reveal.**
Huntsman's Plate—**Spoiled Boy.**
Farmers' Plate—**Bayadere.**

1.15—SPORTSMAN'S HUNTERS' 'CHASE. £65. 3m.

Finn Mac Cool (J. Bamber), Owner, a. 12-3 .. Owner
Dromina (J. E. Davison), B. Nugent, a. 12-3
Mr. R. A. Hoey
Heroic (Dr. G. F. Gillespie), Woods, a. 12-3
Mr. G. Dunwoody
Brokerstown (D. McCreedy), Owner, 6. 12-3.....(——)
Damara (A. Willis), T. W. Dreaper, a. 12-3
Mr. W. Willis
Ballyoran (J. E. Meagher), Owner, a. 12-3.....(——)
Loyal Antrim (R. Pullan), Owner, a. 11-12.....(——)
Drumreagh (5lb.) (Miss E. Wilson), a. 11-12.....(——)
Captain Starlight (10lb.) (F. Fitzsimmons), Owner, a. 11-7.....Owner
Bayadere (10lb.) (R. McCullough), Rooney, a. 11-7.....(——)
Lucky Knight (10lb.) (R. McCullough, jun.), Rooney, a. 11-7.....(——)

Mr. W. E. Rooney rides Bayadere or Lucky Knight.
BETTING FORECAST—5/4 Dromina, 9/4 Heroic, 6/1 Finn Mac Cool and Captain Starlight, 100/12 others.

1.45—LEGALE 'CHASE. £65. 2m.

Lord Patrick (Mrs. A. Binns), Private, a. 11-9.....(——)
33 Yung Yat (F. W. E. Gradwell) J. A. Farrell, a. 11-9
T. Cullen, jun.
00 Desert Star (A. Watson), Woods, a. 11-9.....P. Timmins
00 Damara (A. Willis), T. W. Dreaper, a. 11-9.....(——)
Lakeford (J. R. Morrison), Owner, a. 11-9.....Owner
0 Rally Up (W. Patton), Rooney, 5. 11-5
Mr. W. E. Rooney
00 Templeton (A. Willis), T. W. Dreaper, 5. 11-5.....(——)
00 Tiger Boy (W. J. McCall), Woods, 4. 10-5
Mr. J. Woods.

T. Hyde rides T. Dreaper's selected.
BETTING FORECAST—7/4 Desert Star, 2/1 Yung Yat, 6/1 Damara, 8/1 others.

2.20—RED CROSS 'CHASE. £200. 3m.

32 Funny (J. V. Rank), T. W. Dreaper, a. 11-8...T. Hyde
30 Sir Sen (Lord Queenborough), C. Rogers, a. 10-13.....R. J. O'Ryan
00 Desert Star (A. Watson), Woods, a. 9-13.....P. Timmins
33 Yung Yat (F. W. E. Gradwell), J. A. Farrell, a. 9-9.....T. Cullen, jun.
Lakeford (J. R. Morrison), Owner, a. 9-7.....(——)
Lord Patrick (Mrs. A. Binns), Private, a. 9-7.....(——)

BETTING FORECAST — 4/7 Funny, 7/4 Sir Sen, 8/1 others

2.50—DOWNPATRICK 'CHASE. £65. 3m.

Waltz Away (N. Megraw), Owner, a. 12-7.....(——)
30 Sir Sen (Lord Queenborough), C. Rogers, a. 12-0
R. O'Ryan
Rascal (F. Jennison), Owner, a. 10-7.....A. Brabazon
Young Star (J. Grieve), Owner, a. 10-0.....(——)
00 Knightswood (Mrs. E. A. Gargan), Cahalis, a. 9-13
E. Kennedy
00 Hazel Fair (E. Lydon), J. A. Farrell, 6. 9-12
T. Cullen, jun.
0 Sugar Lump (W. Barry), Owner, a. 9-7.....McElroy
Jolly Taper (F. Malley), Owner, a. 9-7.....McKeag

BETTING FORECAST—4/1 Knightswood, 9/2 Reveal, 6/1 Hazel Fair and Sugar Lump, 10/1 others.

3.25—HUNTSMAN'S 'CHASE. £65. 3m. 5f.

Finn Mac Cool (J. Bamber), Owner, a. 11-10...Owner
Captain Starlight (F. Fitzsimmons), Owner, a. 11-10
Mr. R. A. Hoey
Heroic (Dr. G. F. Gillespie), Woods, a. 11-10
Mr. G. Dunwoody
02 Spoiled Boy (Miss A. B. Hall), B. Nugent, a. 11-10
Mr. R. A. Hoey
Bayadere (R. McCullough), Rooney, a. 11-10.....(——)
Lucky Knight (R. McCullough), Rooney, a. 11-10.....(——)
Brokerstown (D. McCreedy), Owner, 6. 11-10.....(——)
Bayadere (R. McCullough), Rooney, a. 11-10.....(——)
Loyal Antrim (R. Pullan), Owner, a. 11-10.....(——)
Miss Orby (W. Robins), Owner, a. 11-10.....(——)
00 Desert Star (A. Watson), Woods, a. 11-10..Mr. J. Woods
Damara (A. Willis) T. W. Dreaper, a. 11-10
Mr. W. Willis
Drumreagh (Miss E. Wilson), Private, a. 11-10.....(——)

BETTING FORECAST—6/4 Spoiled Boy, 7/2 Heroic and Desert Star, 6/1 Drumreagh, 100/12 others.

4.0—FARMERS' MAIDEN 'CHASE. £50. 2m.

Yen Erin (J. Black), Owner, a. 11-10.....(——)
Captain Starlight (F. Fitzsimmons), Owner, a. 11-10
Owner
Flying Wind (W. J. Girvan), Owner, 6. 11-10.....(——)
Big Fella (R. Menary), Owner, a. 11-10.....(——)
0 Pagehow (W. Moore), Malley, 6. 11-10.....(——)
00 Eilmer Mary (W. Morrow), Owner, a. 11-10.....(——)
Roi Erin (W. Orr), Owner, a. 11-10.....(——)
00 Coloden Lough (J. Kidd), Woods, a. 11-10.....(——)
Primrose Bar (D. Rooney), Owner, a. 11-10.....(——)
Ballyatwood (Hugh Thompson), Owner, a. 11-10.....(——)
Bayadere (R. McCullough), Rooney, a. 11-10.....(——)
Lone Lass (A. Murdock), Owner, a. 11-10.....(——)
Lucky Knight (R. McCullough), Rooney, a. 11-10
Mr. W. E. Rooney
Hopeful Daughter (S. McNeilly), Owner, a. 11-5
0 Rally Up (W. Patton), Owner, 5. 11-5.....(——)

BETTING FORECAST—2/1 Coloden Lough, 7/2 Flying Wind and Roi Erin, 6/1 Bayadere, 8/1 others.

Surprise for Dealers in Argentine Securities

DEALERS in South American securities yesterday received a shock from reported terms announced by the Argentine Government in its decree expropriating the Primitiva Gas Company.

On the news, the £1 Ord. units of Primitiva Holdings, which owns the majority of shares in the gas concern, fell from 11/9 to 2/6. Later they were quoted at 8/- to 10/- nominal, with business at 8/9.

Recovery in Rails

PUBLIC interest was at low ebb on the Dublin Stock Exchange yesterday, and the chief feature was the quiet buying of Home Rails, which brought about a good recovery in most issues. There was little life in other departments, and price changes were small and rather irregular.

Great Southern Ord. changed hands at 42½ and the Deb. at 89. The Preference spurted 3¢ points to 43¼ and the Guar. gained two points at 52. Great Northern Ord. recovered to 21½ and the Deb. closed steady at 85½.

National Loans held steady, and 4½ p.c. Land Bonds rose to 116½, but the 4 p.c. Bonds gave way to 107. 3½ p.c. War Loan were unchanged at 104-⅝, and Corporation Stocks held steady.

In Banks Hibernians added pence at 52/6, but Munster and Leinsters fell 1/- to 134/-. Guinness Ord. hardened to 127/1½, but Power Ord. eased to 13/6.

Dublin Transport Ord. and Alliance Gas Ord. held their previous levels. Banks (Ireland) Ord. advanced 1/- to 14/-, and Todd Burns Deb. improved to 100/-.

A small lot of Dolphin Hotel Pref. changed hands up to 101/-. The previous price of these shares was 90/-. May Roberts Ord. recovered to 51/6, but Prices Tailors Ord. shaded off to 4/9. The rest of the Irish Industrial group made a steady showing.

Imperial Tobacco Ord. tended higher to 157/6 and Imperial Chemical Ord. hardened to 38/7½. Courtaulds gave way to 52/3, and Assoc. British Pictures quoted 15/10½.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

(*) Odd lot. (a) Asked. (b) Bid.
(Previous prices in parentheses.)

GOVERNMENT FUNDS—4½ p.c. Third National Loan (110⅛), *110⅛; 3½ p.c. Fourth Loan (under £200) (106¼), 106¼; 3¼ p.c. Financial Agreement (under £200) (108), 108; 3½ p.c. National Security (106⅛), 106⅛; 4½ p.c. Land Bonds (116⅝), 116½; do. (under £200) (116¼), 116¼; do. New (under £200) (113) 113⅜; 4 p.c. Land Bonds (107⅛), 107; do. (under £200) (107¼), 106¾; 3½ p.c. War Loan (104⅜), 104⅜, ⅝; Dublin 3¼ p.c. 1963/85 (102), 102; do. 3½ p.c. (1954/59) (103½), 103½.

BANKS—Hibernian (52/-), *52/6; Munster and Leinster (135/-), *134/-; Provincial New (48/6), 48/6.

BREWERIES—Guinness Ord. (127/-), *127/1½; Power Ord. (13/7½), 13/6.

RAILS, ETC.—Great Northern Ord. (20⅞), 21⅛; do. Deb. (85¾), 85¼, ¾; Great Southern Ord. (47), 42½; do. Pref. (40), 43, 3¢; do. Guaranteed (60), 61. 2, 3; do. Deb. (90), 89; Dublin Transport Ord. (25/3); 25/3.

IRISH INDUSTRIALS—Alliance Gas Ord. (19/9), 15/9, 19/5; Assoc. Chocolate Pref. (22/6), *22/6; do. Deb. (21/-), 21/-; Batchelor Ord. (12/-), 12/-; Carroll Ord. (35/-), 35/-; do. Pref. (28/-), 28/-; Cement Deb. (109½), 109½; Crean (J.) Ord. (9/-) 9/-; Dolphin Hotel Pref. (90/-), *101/-; Goulding Ord. (29/6); Harrington Pref. (28/6), 28/6; Independent Pref. (36/-), 36/-; Irish Times 2nd Pref. (20/-), 20/-; May Roberts Ord. (51/3), *51/6; do. Pref. (28/-), 28/-; Pollkoff (I.F.S.) Pref. (23/-), 23/-; Prices Tailors Ord. (5/-), 4/9; Ranks Ord. (13/-), 14/-; do. Pref. (28/-), 28/-; Todd Burns Deb. (99/6), 100/-; Woodington Pref. (19/-), 19/-.

BRITISH INDUSTRIALS—Assoc. Brit. Picture, 13/10½; British Celanese 2nd Pref., 27/3; Courtaulds (52/9), 52/3; Imperial Chemical (38/6), 38/7½, 8/7½; Imperial Tobacco (157/-), 157/6; Ocean Coal Ord., 3/5½.

Exchequer Return

The Irish Exchequer return for the period April 1st to 15th, 1944, shows revenue £750,379 lower at £2,000,105, and expenditure £1,066,455 down at £1,233,955, compared with the corresponding period of the previous year.

The balance in the Exchequer on April 15th, 1944, was £3,802,287, against £2,656,321 a year previously, and £1,959,682 on April 1st, 1944.

OTHER EXCHANGES

MANCHESTER. — Bleachers 10/1¼, Dyers 20/7½, "Slubbers" — 5/10½, Calico 15/1¼, Cotts 45/3, Courtaulds 52/1½, Dunlop 41/3, Cottons 34/6 Velvets 11/10½, Spinners 22/-, Henry 20/-, Turner and Newall 84/4½, Wall Paper Defd. 35/10½.

BIRMINGHAM.—Motors firm, Kennings rose to 11/6, and Rovers to 29/6, Alvis 5/10½, Alfred A. 27/4½, Dennis 26/3, Dunlop 41/-, Enfield 25/6, Ford 34/-, Guy 2/10½, Humber 21/-, Lea Francis 9/6, Lanchard 7/6, Morris 42/3, Raleigh 77/9, Rolls Royce 104/3, Singer 5/10½, Standard 26/10½, Triplex 36/3, Small Arms 24/7½

LONDON CLOSING PRICES

BRITISH FUNDS

Consols 2½%...	79	79¼	3½% Conversion	104⅛	104⅜ −⅛
Do 4%	110	110¼	3% Conversion.	99¾	100
3½ War Loan	104⅜	104⅜	2½% Land ...	90	92
3% War Loan..	100¾	101	I.F.S. 4½% Loan	115½	117½
Funding Loan.	112⅝	112¾	Local Loans...	94½	94⅝
Victory Bonds...	111½	112½	Nat Def 3½%..	100¾	101½
3% Conversion..	102	102⅜			

BONDS—RAILS—BANKS			INDUSTRIALS (Contd.)		MINES.		
Brazil 90-Yr A	76		Coast Lines..	15/0	Ang. Am Inv.	84/4½	
Do. 40-Yr. B	66		Cab. & W. Ord	81/4	Ashanti	59/0	-0/4½
Gt. Western	59½	-½	Calico Print..	15/6	Bibiani	27/0	-0/3
L.M.S. Ord. ...	39½		Coats	45/4½	Blyvoor	90/0	
Do. 4% Pref.	77		Cory, Wm. ...	93/6	+0/6	Brakpan	23/9	
Do. 5% Red. P.	104½		Clan Line.....	53/-		Charlered	26/3	-0/3
Do.4% 1st Pref.	59½		Cunard.....	21/9	-0/3	Cons Diam'd	39/9	-0/9
L.N.E. Ord. ...	20½	-½	Furness, W....	21/1½		Cons Inv. Inv.	39/9	
Do. Def.	4½	-½	Harrisons &...	18/0		Cons Main'd	56/3	
Do. 4% Pref.	59½		Do. Def.	81¾	-1¾	Cons G. F. ...	56/3	
Do. 2nd Pref.	39½		Do. 5% Pref.	97½		Crown	7½	
5th. Pref Ord	77		Do. 5% Deb.	107½		Daggafontein	14/6	
5th. Def. Ord	24⅜	-⅛	Do. 5% Pref.	107½		De Beers	19	-3/16
L.M.S. & S.R.	119½		Arg. Gt. W.5%			East Dagga..	44/4½	
Deb.	98		Deb.	55½		E. Rand Prop	40/0	
B.A. 6th. ...	11		Do. 4% Deb.	60	-1	Geduld	8¼	
Do. 4% Deb.	60		Do. 4% Deb.			Govt Areas ..	4/0	
Do. 4% Pref.	69½		1967-87	48½	-1½	Luipaard	43/9	
Do. Def.	56		Bank of Eng.	275½		Modderfontein	63/9	
B.A. & Western	11	-½	Barclay's	56/0		Randfontein..	63/9	+0/6
Do. 4% Deb.	51	-½	Hong Kong &			Springs	19/1½	
Canadian Pac.	15	-½	Shanghai	75½	-1	S. A. Land ...	58/9	
C.Arg. 4% Deb.	61½	-1	Lloyds	62/0	+1½	Venterspost ..	33/9	
Do. 5% Deb.			Midland	77/0		Vereeniging ..	69/9	
1967-87	48½	-1½	Westminster ..	73/0		Victoria Falls	93/9	
Bank of Eng.	275½		Do.64.4% pd.	94/6		Virginia	23/0	
Barclay's	56/0					Vogels'bult ..	26/10½	
Hong Kong &						West Holding	35/7½	-0/7½
Shanghai	75½	-1				West Rand ...	35/7½	-0/7½
Lloyds	62/0	+1½				West Springs	25/0	
Midland	77/0					West Wits ...	10⅜	
Westminster ..	73/0					Wit Nigel ...	7/6	-0/3
Do.64.4% pd.	94/6							

INDUSTRIALS.			OILS—RUBBERS.		
Allied Iron...	60/0		Anglo-Iranian	112/9	+0/7½
Austin (5/-)..	27/6		Attock	46/10½	
Assoc. Cement	53/0		Burmah	80/0	+0/7½
Babcock & W..	39/0		Can. Eagle ...	11/3	
Brown (J.)....	26/6	-0/3	Mex. Eagle ...	21/6	+0/3
B.S.A.	24/3		Shell	78/0	+0/7½
Bleachers.....	10/6		Trin. Lease ..	83/9	+0/7½
Brit. Aluminium	81/0		Do. Pet. Def	80/0	
Brit. Oxygen..	80/0		Ultramar	24/6	
Brit. Plast. Ind.	31/0	+0/3	Anglo-Dutch	147½	
Brt. P. Cement.	82/6		Anglo-Malay	6/7	
Bass.	170/0		Highlands	7/0	
Cons. Inviated	109/6		Rubber Trust	17/4½	+0/1½
Callendars ...	57/9	+1/3	Do. Sua Belong	27/9	
Cammell L. ..	9/10½		Utd. Serdang	1/7½	
Crompton P. ..	29/0				

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To-day's Newmarket Meeting

BY BIRDCATCHER

THOUGH to-day's Newmarket programme has few highlights, good contests should be witnessed in the juvenile events, and also in the Free Handicap Sweepstakes. Dancing Goddess has waited for the latter race, and, coming from a stable in form, she is given the vote.

Lyonastra, one of the most forward youngsters at headquarters, may win the Caxton Stakes (Div. II), while the Granby Stakes may fall to the well-galloped Midas, from Jack Jarvis's stable

Selections—10.50— Prawn Curry; 11.20— Sunbeliever; 11.50—Persian Gulf; 12.20—Dancing Goddess (nap); 12.50 — Midas; 1.20—Uva; 1.50—Lyonastra.

Double — Dancing Goddess and Lyonastra.

READERS OUTSIDE EIRE SHOULD ADD ONE HOUR TO TIMES GIVEN BELOW.

10.30—APPRENTICE PLATE. 1 m.

Form. Probable Starters and Jockeys.
044 Valeway (B. Jarvis), 5, 8-5 Foster
002 Swanee River (H. Leader), 4, 8-5 Goose
200 Saman (Fk. Butlers), 4, 8-1 Foster
005 Isaac of York (F. S. Butlers), 4, 7-10 Trinder
003 Doncter (Jellis), 4, 7-10.....Latimer
200 Chart Room (Earl), 3, 6-6...French
000 Raj d'Or (R. J. Colling), 3, 6-4 Haslam
0 Fazah (Fk. Butlers), 3, 6-4 Wibberley
080 Linnaeus (J. Payne), 3, 6-4 Littlewood
Par Ardua (Earl), 3, 6-1.....L. Smith
000 Little Britain (Lambton), 3, 6-1 (——)
040 Liberty (J. Jarvis), 3, 6-1 Westbrook
Betting Forecast—3/1 Valeway, 4/1 Swanee River, 5/1 Saman, 8/1 Doncter. Chart Room and Isaac of York, 10/1 Raj d'Or, 100/6 others.

10.50—CAXTON T.Y.O. STAKES (Div I.). 5f.

Probable Starters and Jockeys.
Wigmford Lady e. (Beatty)...Stephenson
Trudenbrook (R. J. Colling)...G. Richards
Viridia. (Digby) ..... Taylor
Prawn Curry (Fk. Butlers)...G. Richards
Mont Dore (R. Rochfort)..... D. Smith
Equimault (Earl) ..... H. Wragg
(Above carry 8-11.)
Nagrada f. (R. J. Colling)..... Evans
Geneve f. (Private) ..... Greening or Cunningham
Portland (G. Colling)..... Nevett
Golden Oriole (Sadler)..... Jarvis
Flute (F. S. Butlers)..... Beary
Lovely Snow (Leach)..... Maher
(Above carry 8-8.)
Betting Forecast—6/4 Prawn Curry, 4/1 Witchford Lady c., 7/1 Equimault, 10/1 Mont Dore and Portland, 100/6 others

11.20—HAUGHLEY THREE-Y-O. STAKES. 7 f.

Form. Probable Starters and Jockeys.
0 Arlington (Digby) ..... Taylor
Easter Morn (Gaskell) ..... Nevett
00 Palamie (Private) ..... Nevett
000 Bachelor's Chum (G. Colling) Nevett
00 Windlass (Jellis) ..... R. A. Jones
040 Lafayette (Day) ..... C. Richards
04 All Moonshine (Earl)..... H. Wragg
Durban's Pride (J. A. Waugh) ..... Butler
Blue Fox (Lambton)..... Maher
000 Muirburn (R. J. Colling)..... Gethin
G. Richards
Uniformity (Digby)..... Taylor
Sky Blue (R. W. Colling)... Gethin
422 Sinbadi (Beatty) ..... Stephenson
00 Lady Betty (Perryman)..... Lowrey
Sibilog (Fk. Butlers)..... Eaves

11.50—APRIL STAKES. 1½ m.

Form. Probable Starters and Jockeys.
113 Paper Boy (Fk. Butlers), 4, 9-3 H. Wragg
424 Persian Gulf (B.-Rochford), 4, 8-2 G. Richards
Betting Forecast—1/3 Persian Gulf.

12.20—NEWMARKET FREE H'CAP SWEEP. STAKES. 7 f.

Form. Probable Starters and Jockeys.
211 Ferry Pool (Fk. Butlers), 8-9 ——
010 Putting Green (B.-Rochford), 8-9 D. Smith
233 Monsoon (Sadler) 8-2..... Maher
221 Dancing Goddess (Lambton), 8-1 Beary
140 Seven Seas (Earl), 8-0...H. Wragg
000 Foire de Lyons (J. Payne), 7-13 Littlewood
010 Bella (Fk. Butlers), 7-8 G. Richards
304 Roadhouse (J. Jarvis) 7-7 E. Smith
020 Respite (R. J. Colling), 7-7 C. Richards
023 Felucca (G. Colling), 7-6...Nevett
200 Welwyn (F. S. Butlers), 7-5 Richardson
002 Chaud-froid (R. Jarvis), 7-3 Latimer
Betting Forecast—4/1 Dancing Goddess, 5/1 Bella and Roadhouse, 8/1 Chaud-froid, 10/1 Ferry Pool and Monsoon, 100/8 Felucca and Seven Seas, 100/6 Putting Green, 20/1 others.

12.50 — GRANBY STAKES. 1m. 5f.—Y.-O.

Probable Starters and Jockeys.
Flying Shell e. (H. Leader)..Cunningham
The Chiseller (R. J. Colling) ...P. Evans
Stonyhurst (Earl) ..... Pearson
Fairthorn (R. J. Colling)...G. Richards
Suffolk Hussar (R. W. Colling) Gethin
Sailor's Hornpipe (R. J. Colling) Burton
Royal Sovereign (Perryman)....Lowrey
Travers (Jellis) ..... R. A. Jones
Strela c. (G. Colling) ..... E. Smith
Midas (J. Jarvis) .....
(Above carry 8-11.)
Surplus (Earl) ..... H. Wragg
Loch Shiel (G. Colling) ..... Nevett
Set Sail (Private) .....
Mont Cenis (Earl)..... Beary
Sirene (R. J. Colling) .....C. Richards
Jennie Deans f. (J. Payne) ....Littlewood
(Above carry 8-8.)
Betting Forecast—5/1 Sunbeliever, 5/1 Muirburn, 6/1 All Moonshine, 8/1 Sinbadi, 10/1 Windlass and Bunting, 100/8 Lafayette, 100/6 Ahiwa and Blue Fox, 20/1 others.

1.50—CAXTON T.-Y.-O. STAKES (Div. II.). 5f.

Probable Starters and Jockeys.
Repent (Sadler) ..... Upton
Dancing Nymph (T. R. Leader)..... Lane
Scottish Star (Day) ..... Beary
Goanna (Whitaker) ..... Shifner
Fair Dancer s. (Digby) ..... Taylor
Goldhill (R. Arr) ..... P. Evans
Golden Sam (R. J. Colling)...C. Richards
Chwarau Teg (Sadler) ..... Maher
Watch Light (Jellis) ..... R. A. Jones
(Above carry 8-11.)
Kyle Rose (R. W. Colling) .....Gethin
Oriental Spotlight (G. Colling) ....Nevett
Lyonastra. (H. Leader) ..... Carey
Clock Tower (T. E. Leader) ..Richardson
Indigo (R. J. Colling) .....G. Richards
Betting Forecast—5/1 Lyonastra and Watch Light, 4/1 Indigo, 8/1 Oriental Spotlight, 10/1 Scottish Star, 100/8 Dancing Flame, 100/6 others.

2.20—PRINCE OF WALES'S STAKES. 1 m.

Form. Probable Starters and Jockeys.
000 Ahiwa (Day) ..... Beary
02 Sunbeliever (B.-Rochfort) D. Smith
00 Bunting (J. Jarvis)..... E. Smith
000 Lamprey (H. Jarvis)..... Sime
00 Black Selene (F. S. Butlers) (Above carry 8-12.)
Betting Forecast—5/1 Sunbeliever, 5/1 Muirburn, 6/1 All Moonshine, 8/1 Sinbadi, 10/1 Windlass and Bunting, 100/8 Lafayette, 100/6 Ahiwa and Blue Fox, 20/1 others.

11.50—APRIL STAKES. 1½ m.

Form. Probable Starters and Jockeys.
113 Paper Boy (Fk. Butlers), 4, 9-3 H. Wragg
424 Persian Gulf (B.-Rochford), 4, 8-2 G. Richards
Betting Forecast—1/3 Persian Gulf.

12.20—NEWMARKET FREE H'CAP SWEEP. STAKES. 7 f.

Form. Probable Starters and Jockeys.
211 Ferry Pool (Fk. Butlers), 8-9 ——
010 Putting Green (B.-Rochford), 8-9 D. Smith
233 Monsoon (Sadler) 8-2..... Maher
221 Dancing Goddess (Lambton), 8-1 Beary
140 Seven Seas (Earl), 8-0...H. Wragg
000 Foire de Lyons (J. Payne), 7-13 Littlewood
010 Bella (Fk. Butlers), 7-8 G. Richards
304 Roadhouse (J. Jarvis) 7-7 E. Smith
020 Respite (R. J. Colling), 7-7 C. Richards
023 Felucca (G. Colling), 7-6...Nevett
200 Welwyn (F. S. Butlers), 7-5 Richardson
002 Chaud-froid (R. Jarvis), 7-3 Latimer
Betting Forecast—4/1 Dancing Goddess, 5/1 Bella and Roadhouse, 8/1 Chaud-froid, 10/1 Ferry Pool and Monsoon, 100/8 Felucca and Seven Seas, 100/6 Putting Green, 20/1 others.

12.50 — GRANBY STAKES. 1m. 5f.—Y.-O.

Probable Starters and Jockeys.
Flying Shell e. (H. Leader)..Cunningham
The Chiseller (R. J. Colling) ...P. Evans
Stonyhurst (Earl) ..... Pearson
Fairthorn (R. J. Colling)...G. Richards
Suffolk Hussar (R. W. Colling) Gethin
Sailor's Hornpipe (R. J. Colling) Burton
Royal Sovereign (Perryman)....Lowrey
Travers (Jellis) ..... R. A. Jones
Strela c. (G. Colling) ..... E. Smith
Midas (J. Jarvis) .....
(Above carry 8-11.)
Surplus (Earl) ..... H. Wragg
Loch Shiel (G. Colling) ..... Nevett
Set Sail (Private) .....
Mont Cenis (Earl)..... Beary
Sirene (R. J. Colling) .....C. Richards
Jennie Deans f. (J. Payne) ....Littlewood
(Above carry 8-8.)
Betting Forecast—5/1 Sunbeliever, 5/1 Muirburn, 6/1 All Moonshine, 8/1 Sinbadi, 10/1 Windlass and Bunting, 100/8 Lafayette, 100/6 Ahiwa and Blue Fox, 20/1 others.

1.20—SEVERALS 3-Y.-O. STAKES. 5f.

Form. Probable Starters and Jockeys.
114 Uva (Fk. Butlers), 8-13, G. Richards
441 Saucy Bella (G. Colling), 8-5, Nevett
034 Sola Vista (Beatty), 8-2 ..E. Smith
00 Sugar Hills (R. W. Colling), 8-2, Gethin
Betting Forecast—1/2 Uva, 4/1 Saucy Bella, 8/1 Bois Vista, 100/6 Sugar Hills.

1.50—CAXTON T.-Y.-O. STAKES (Div. II.). 5f.

Probable Starters and Jockeys.
Repent (Sadler) ..... Upton
Dancing Nymph (T. R. Leader)..... Lane
Scottish Star (Day) ..... Beary
Goanna (Whitaker) ..... Shifner
Fair Dancer s. (Digby) ..... Taylor
Goldhill (R. Arr) ..... P. Evans
Golden Sam (R. J. Colling)...C. Richards
Chwarau Teg (Sadler) ..... Maher
Watch Light (Jellis) ..... R. A. Jones
(Above carry 8-11.)
Kyle Rose (R. W. Colling) .....Gethin
Oriental Spotlight (G. Colling) ....Nevett
Lyonastra. (H. Leader) ..... Carey
Clock Tower (T. E. Leader) ..Richardson
Indigo (R. J. Colling) .....G. Richards
Betting Forecast—5/1 Lyonastra and Watch Light, 4/1 Indigo, 8/1 Oriental Spotlight, 10/1 Scottish Star, 100/6 Dancing Flame, 100/6 others.

YESTERDAY'S RETURNS

10.30—3-Y.O. (5f.) — Peas. Envoy (25/1) by Bellacose—Peaceful Light, 8-12 (P. Evans), 1; Golden Cloud (3/1), 8-12 (M. Beary), 2; Consolation (7/2), 8-12 (G. Richards), 3; Gorsebrook (W. Stephenson), 4; Belle Roussel, Sunstone, Prince Tip, Billy Mac, Kissington, White Christmas, Bronze Vixen, (R. Colling.) 1½l.; same.

11.0—FIRST T.Y.O. STAKES (Division 1) (5f.)—Vestal Virgin (7/1), by Hyperion—Trustful, 8-11 (M. Beary), 1; Eight Bells (25/1), 8-11 (R. Jones), 2; Esperance (2/1), 8-11 (D. Smith), 3; Veto, 4; Borobella, Caesar's Wife, Bobolink, Blue Haze, Sidonia, Royal Pay, Golden Meadow, Evening Belief, Nuphar, Dolly, Canteen, Cheerful (Lambton.) 1½l.; 11.

11.30—3-Y.O. STAKES (1¼m.)—Donatello Bwll (6/4) by Blue Peter—Jiffy, 9-10 (R. Smith), 1; Salver (7/1), 8-3 (F. Evans) 2; Beuwood (100/8), 8-3 (C. Jarvis), 3; Alencon d'Or, Lord London, Causeway, Great Auk, Vhellius, Wragby, Council of Trent, Byculls, Counsel, Yankee Doodle, Croix de Guerre, John Peel, Waterhead. (J. Jarvis.) 4l.; short head.

12.0—Y.Y.O. (5f.) — Mobs (100/7), by Fairway—Flapper, 8-11 (R. Smith), 1; Far And Away (6/11), 8-11 (H. Wragg), 2; Mercury (100/8), 8-11 (G. Littlewood), 3; Maiden Over, 4; Night Legend, Trimmers c., Jubilant, (F. Butlers), 2l.; neck.

Sagittarius, Dilawarji, Meridian c., Rustieu, Seafire, Ionian Fairy c., Asberati c. Mickle, Hyades Gandria, Marah Jinka, Golden Cross. Off 12.7. (J. Jarvis.) Neck; 11.

12.30—BARRAHAM HANDICAP (1m. 3f.)—Perpendicular (9/4), by Bosworth—Lang Syne 5, 8-9 (M. Beary), 1; Triumvir (100/8), 4, 8-9 (H. Wragg), 2; Response (5/1), Slime 5, 8-8, Pink Flower, 4 Brush Off, Marilles, Stormaway, Tregor, Hakuma, Rowney Prince, Hay Hill. (Lambton 2l.; 4l.

1.0—3-Y.O. STAKES. 1m.—Esmeralda (20/1), by Brumeaux—Aurora, 8-6 (H. Wragg), 1; Happy Landing (8/13), 8-6, 2; Moneyway (7/1), 8-12, 3. Treble Crown, 4; Hunsingore, Hyder Ali, Merry Mark, Near East. (Earl). Neck; 3l.

1.30—BRETBY HANDICAP (6f.)—Tipstaff (10/1), by Fair Trial—Fairy Godmother, 7-5 (J. Sime), 1; Pure Gold (25/1) 8-3 (F. Tolton), 2; Lady of Avalon (100/30), 7-12, 3. Sir Edward, 4; Fortunate Trial, Wokey Hole, Catapult. 5l.; 3l.

2.0—FILLIES 3-Y.O. (5f.)—Full Speed (100/30), by Precipitation—Spivey, (C. Richards), 1; Blue Breeze (5/1), 8-11 (E. Smith), 2; Treasure Trove (8/1), 8-11 (T. Lowrey), 3. Lacing c., Blandonah f., Grace, Huchtode, Magic Flute, Nebecan, Solar Path, Boni, Aquaphane, Koompali, Lady Crusader. (F. Butlers). 2l.; neck.

Tuesday.—Saturday—Open mixed foursomes v. bogey; prizes to winners and runner-up.

Dundalk. — Saturday—President's prize (1st round), last day.

Bray.—Saturday—Competition handicaps 18 and over, sweep 17 and under. Ladies — Miss Scannell's prize — Mrs. Edwards (33), 87; Miss A. Byrne (38), 69 April 24th—Mr. A. N. Murphy's prize, 18 holes strokes, two classes. Draws 10.15, 10.30, 2.30, 3.6 and 6.30

Elm Park. — Ladies' Branch — Thursday, 20th—Miss M. Brophy's prize, 18 holes, stroke; usual draws.

Elm Park.—Open Wednesday Cup, strokes. Saturday—Medal, strokes, Mrs. Twelvetrees holed the first hole in one (13.11). Mrs. Harley holed the fourth hole in one (13.2).

Lucan.—Ladies' Branch—Cregan Cup —Miss M. O'Neill (36), 73; Miss E. Craig (35), 74. Friday—Miss L. Sampson's prize, 18 holes, strokes.

Howth.—Shelmartin Cup, qualifiers and draw—R. Kelleher v. M. Cronin; E. M. Stuart v J. Beggs; M. Corcoran v. P. J. Melia; R. O'Hanlon v. C. B. Archer. First round on or before May 1st.

Killiney.—Ladies' Branch—Friday—Prize presented by Mrs. Barrett—Flag. Draws 10.15 a.m., 2, 2.30 and 3 p.m. Committee meeting 5 p.m.

Friday.—Gents—At "Hermitage"—"J. Driver's" prize—P. C. Murphy, 39 points

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS

GAIETY THEATRE
DUBLIN GRAND OPERA SOCIETY.
To-night at 7.30:
MADAME BUTTERFLY.
May Devitt, Joseph McLaughlin, Patricia Black, Michael O'Higgins, Joseph Flood.
Conductor: COMDT. J. M. DOYLE.
Thursday—Faust.
Friday—Samson and Delilah.
Saturday Matinee—Hansel and Gretel.
Saturday—La Traviata
Booking Open Daily, 10 a.m. to 9 a.m.

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NIGHTLY, 7.30.
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ABBEY THEATRE
AT 7.30 P.M.
"LOST LIGHT."
By Bolbeard O Farachain.
"THE SHADOW OF A GUNMAN."
By Sean O'Casey (Last Week).
Latecomers not admitted until end of First Play.

GATE EDWARDS—MacLIAMMOIR
To-night at 7.30.
FINAL WEEK.
MacLIAMMOIR — CHANCELLOR, in
"JANE EYRE."
Mat. Sat. 2.30. Booking 10.30—7.

QUEEN'S Show at 4.30 and 7.30. Screen at 3, 6 and 9.
SIDE-SPLITTING SECOND EDITION.
"QUEEN'S SERENADE."
All Your Old Favourites at their Best.
Screen: Deanna Durbin in
"HERS TO HOLD."

METROPOLE Twice Daily, 2.30 & 7.30.
"THE SONG OF BERNADETTE."
Prices 2/6, 3/9, 5/6, 8/6
All Seats Bookable in Advance.

THEATRE DE LUXE
DON AMECHE. "HAPPY LAND."
4.30, 6.49, 9.16.
REX RITTER. "CHEYENNE ROUND UP." 5.45, 8.16.

CORINTHIAN At 5.7, 7.16, 9.25.
Cont. 3.45—10.30.
East Side Kids and Bela Lugosi, "Ghosts in the Night" and Cole and Bill Henry, "Sarong Girl."

ASTORIA Dun Laoghaire.
Cont., 3.30-10.10.
Last Days of the Technicolor Epic, THE FOUR FEATHERS."
At 5.40, 7.55, 8.10 p.m. Come Early, Thurs. "BOWERY AT MIDNIGHT."

GRAND CENTRAL
Continuous, 3.15 to 10.30.
NELSON EDDY and RISE STEVENS, "THE CHOCOLATE SOLDIER,"
Showing 4.01, 6.28, 8.55.
Matinee Prices to 5 p.m.

GREEN—3.30, 6.20, 9.5
Abbott and Costello,
"RIDE 'EM, COWBOY."
Also Judy Canova,
"JUD GOES TO TOWN."

DREADNOUGHT SCHOOL OF FASHION.
PATTERN-MAKING, DRESSMAKING, TAILORING.
COMMENCING NEW TERM,
MONDAY NEXT, 24th April
Prospectus from Principal,
5 MOLESWORTH STREET.

PUBLIC NOTICES

LOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL.
TEMPORARY ENGINEER REQUIRED
Louth County Council invites applications for the post of temporary Assistant Engineer for a period of approximately 6 months.
Applicants must have a University degree in Engineering, and must have had practical experience of Road Works and of Public Health Engineering Work—Housing, Sewerage and Water Supply, etc. Experience of turf production desirable.
The appointment will be subject to the sanction of the Department of Local Government and Public Health, and may be determined by either side on one week's notice.
Salary—six guineas per week, with travelling allowance on the scale from time to time sanctioned by the Roads Department.
Applications, stating qualifications, with copies only of recent testimonials and details of experience, to be lodged with the undersigned by 12 noon on Saturday, 29th April, 1944. Applicants to state in application the earliest date on which they could take up duty.
P. J. KEARNEY,
Acting Secretary.
County Offices, Dundalk,
17th April, 1944.

PATENT.
No. 15213—"IMPROVEMENTS IN OR RELATING TO THE FILTERING OR STRAINING OR LIKE TREATMENT OF FLUIDS."
The Proprietor of the above Patent is prepared to enter into arrangements, by way of licence or otherwise, for the purpose of assuring the practical and commercial working of the invention in this country.
All communications should be addressed in the first instance to:
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TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW
(Wednesday and Thursday),
From 3 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Opened on Wednesday by Rev. Martin Parsons; on Thursday by Rev. R. J. Coates.

CITY OF DUBLIN SKIN AND CANCER HOSPITAL.
The Annual General Meeting of the Governors of the above Hospital will be held in the Board Room on Thursday next, the 20th instant, at 4 p.m.
Speakers: The Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, Ald. Martin O'Sullivan; Dr. Lorcan Sherlock, LL.D., and Senator James Creaking.
SUBSCRIBERS AND FRIENDS WELCOMED

REGISTRATION OF CLUBS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1904 and '27.
Take Notice that I intend to make application for a renewal of Certificate of Registration on behalf of the City of Dublin Workingmen's Club, 10 Wellington Quay.
WILLIAM NOLAN, Secretary.

A SERVICE OF HEALING
Is Held EVERY WEDNESDAY at 3 p.m.,
IN THE MAGDALEN CHURCH,
Lower Leeson Street, Dublin.

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES

ST. ANDREW'S COLLEGE,
CLYDE ROAD, DUBLIN.
ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS, 1944.
An Examination for SCHOLARSHIPS, open to Boys under 13 years of age on 1st August, 1944, will be held at the College on 1st, 2nd and 3rd June.
SUMMER TERM WILL BEGIN ON TO-MORROW (THURSDAY).
The Headmaster will be in residence on and after 18th April between 10-1; at other times by appointment.
For Prospectus and full information as to Scholarships, apply to the Headmaster:
F. J. SOUTHGATE, B.A. (Cantab.),
47 Wellington Place, Clyde Road.

RATHGAR BOYS' PREPARATORY SCHOOL
(FOR ST. ANDREW'S COLLEGE).
Playing Field at Bushy Park road, Rathgar.
Pupils received from Five Years of Age.
RE-OPENS TO-MORROW (THURSDAY).
The Headmistress will be at the School on and after April 19th between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., to interview parents and enrol pupils, and at other times by appointment.
For Prospectus and full particulars apply to the Headmistress,
Miss C. E. SEMPLE, 47 Rathgar road.

GLENGARA PARK,
GLENAGEARY, CO. DUBLIN.
BOARDING and DAY SCHOOL FOR GIRLS AND SMALL BOYS.
Term Begins (D.V.) Friday, April 28th.
Boarders Return Thursday Afternoon.
Illustrated Prospectus and full details on application to the Principal:
MISS I. KNOX DARLING, B.A.
Interviews by Appointment after April 20th.

AVOCA SCHOOL,
BLACKROCK.
Secondary School for Boys. Preparatory Department for Boys and Girls.
SCHOOL REOPENS THURSDAY, APRIL 20th.
Interviews fro Tuesday, April 18th, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Headmaster:
C. R. PARKER, B.A.L., H.Dip.Ed. (Hons.)

LEGAL NOTICES.
JAMES JOSEPH DOWLING, Deceased, late of 5 St. Mobhi road, Dublin, Watchmaker, Jeweller, Optician and Silversmith. Full details of all claims against the above-named Deceased to be sent to the undersigned.
L. B. McCANN, Solicitor, 8/9 Upper O'Connell st., Dublin.

ROYAL Film at 3.55, 6.30, 9.10.
Show at 4.50, 7.50.
Second Star-Studded Edition of
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Featuring:
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Designed for Laughter Only.

REGAL BOOMS At 2.30, 4.35, 6.40, 8.45.
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SAVOY At 2.17, 4.30, 6.45, 9.56.
Carmen Miranda, ALICE FAYE, Edw. Everett Horton,
"THE GIRLS HE LEFT BEHIND."

CAPITOL DAILY, 3 o'c. to 10.30.
LAST 2 DAYS.
Paulette Goddard, Fred MacMurray, in the Hilarious Romance,
'STANDING ROOM ONLY'
SHOWING AT 4.7, 6.37, 9.7.
ON THE STAGE at 3 o'c. 5.30, 8 o'c.
"MAGYAR MUSICALE."
Maurice Keary, Ursula O'Riordan, Martin Crosby, Mike Nolan, Roy Croft, The Capitol Girls, The Capitol Orchestra.
FRIDAY NEXT:
Rosemary Lane, Patric Knowles in "ALL BY MYSELF."
On the Stage, Martin Crosby, Maurice Keary, Mike Nolan, Roy Croft, the Capitol Orchestra and Girls.

ASTOR.
CONTINUOUS, DAILY, FROM 2.30.
WALT DISNEY'S
"SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS."
Daily, at 2.55, 4.55, 7.0, 9.5.

CARLTON Daily from 2.30.
At 5.30, 6.5, 8.45.
Janet Gaynor, Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., in "THE YOUNG IN HEART."
With Paulette Goddard and Roland Young And Movita in "Rose of the Rio Grande."

GRAFTON Continuous Daily from 3 o'clock.
CONRAD VEIDT—RAYMOND MASSEY
"UNDER THE RED ROBE."
Extra—LAUREL and HARDY in
"A CHUMP AT OXFORD."

ADELPHI Showing at 2.16, 4.30, 6.44 & 8.58
Judy Garland, Mickey Rooney, in
"GIRL CRAZY."

PAVILION Dun Laoghaire.
To-day: Cont. 3.30 to 10.30.
Lionel Barrymore in
"CRAZY TO KILL."
Thurs.: Roddy McDowall, Rita Johnson in "My Friend Flicka." In Technicolor.

REGENT CINEMA,
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James Cagney, Rosemary Lane, Humphry Bogart: "THE OKLAHOMA KID."
Thurs.: "HIT PARADE OF 1943."
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GOVERNMENT NOTICES

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(Department of Defence).
SALE BY TENDER OF UNSERVICEABLE STORES.
The Minister for Defence will receive Tenders up to 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday, the 9th May, 1944, for the purchase of unserviceable stores, consisting of Uniform Rags, Shirting Rags, Sock and Cardigan Rags, Cotton, Linen and Canvas Rags, Boots and Gymnasium Shoes, lying at various military barracks.
Only tenders submitted on the official Tender Form will be considered.
The Minister does not bind himself to accept the highest or any tender.
Tender Forms and full details of the stores for sale may be had on application to An Rúnaidhe, Roinn Cosanta (Constabula), Gestu na Páirce, Baile Átha Cliath.
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ON THE WIRELESS
IRISH PROGRAMME
NEWS at 1.40, 6.45, 10.0 (Nuacht) and 10.10 p.m.
1.0—Concert. 1.45—Stock Exchange. 1.45-2.30—Concert (contd.). 5.0—Radio Orchestra. 6.25—"Oiche" le Micheal O Maolain. 6.40—Stock Exchange. Sports Results. 7.5—Chaisceanai an nOg: "A sitting by Pilib O Laoghaire. 7.20—"Lough Neagh," by Fedelmn Donnelly. 7.30—"Information Please." 8.10—"Interlude." 8.15—"Is Your Irish Rusty?" 8.30—Una Kenny (violin) and Cecily Kenny (mezzo-soprano). 8.55—Milan: Feature programme by Michael Farrell. 9.25—James Johnston (tenor). 9.45—Domhnall an Tuile, Mac Carrthaigh." Caint O Dhiarmuid O Briain. 10.30—Garda Ceilidhe Band

B.B.C. PROGRAMMES
HOME SERVICE
NEWS at 6 and 7 a.m., 12 noon, 5, 9 and 11 p.m.
6.15—Exercises. 6.30—Anber and Offenbach. 6.55—"Lift Up Your Hearts!" 7.15—Kitchen Front. 8.20—Light Orchestra. 8.5—Marching and Waltzing. 8.45—Ralph Downes (organ). 9.15—Service. 9.30—"Both Ends of the Scale." 10.0—Geraldo. 10.30—Richard Crean Orchestra. 11.30—Works Wonders. 12.15—Records. 12.30—Concert for Workers. 12.50—"Home on the Range." 1.15—Military Band. 1.45—Irish Ballads. 2.0—Music While You Work. 2.30—C.E.M.A. Concert. 3.30—The Man from Kilshealan. 3.45—News and Talk in Welsh. 4.0—Children's Hour. 5.30—"Command Performance." 6.0—"Can I Help You?" 6.15—Symphony Orchestra. 7.55—"Nothing in the News." 8.55—"It's Just About Time." 9.30—"The Prodigal Calf," story. 9.45—Choir. 10.0—"Personal Choice." 10.15—The Dance Orchestra.

ALTERNATIVE SERVICE.
NEWS at 5.30 and 7 a.m.) 12 noon) 2, 5, 9 and 11 p.m.
NEWS HEADLINES at 6, 8 and 11 a.m.)
5.45—Records. 6.1—Music for Everyone. 7.15—Orchestra. 7.30—Music by British Composers. 8.15—Eric Winstone and his Orchestra. 9.0—Songs and Music for Two Pianos. 9.30—Music While You Work. 10.0—Orchestral Miscellany. 10.45—"Starlight." 11.3—To-day's Papers. 11.10—Service. 11.15—Variety Rendezvous. 12.15—News Commentary. 12.15—Northern Orchestra. 1.1—Music and Songs from Film Productions. 1.30—Home Flash. 2.10—"Thank You for Your Letters." 2.15—Fred Hartley and his Music. 2.30—Radio Newsreel. 2.45—Favourite Records. 3.25—Dorothy Smile. 3.50—War Review. 4.15—The Little Orchestra. 4.30—Scottish Half-Hour. 5.30—Favourite Records. 5.45—The Radio Padre. 6.10—News from Canada. 6.15—B.B.C. Dancing Club. 7.0—"Bandstand." 7.45—Sportsmen's Corner. 8.0—Forces Programme. 8.45—Three's Company. 9.0—Harry Parry and his Sextet. 9.50—Music While You Work.

EXTRA HOSPITAL BEDS
Fifty extra beds are being provided at Peamount Sanatorium and St. Ultan's Hospital, Dublin. For primary tuberculosis, 25 additional beds in the Dublin area have been approved by the Department of Local Government and Public Health. About 50 additional beds have been provided in the Cavan area and 13 in Sligo. In Galway, after some time, 80 more beds will have been provided. Rialto Hospital extension, which is under consideration will provide Dublin with 60 new beds for fever cases, and other proposals being considered will, when complete, provide a further 40 beds for Dublin's sick. This information was given to the Dail yesterday by the Minister for Local Government (Mr. S. MacEntee) in answer to a question by Alderman Alfred Byrne.

The times given are Irish Summer Time. Readers in Northern Ireland and Great Britain must add one hour.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, JAMES LARKIN, junr., of 19 Seville place, Dublin, in the City of Dublin, Labour Leader, hereby give notice that I intend to change my name to JAMES LARKIN.
Dated this 19th day of April, 1944.
JAMES LARKIN, junr.
Witness: JAMES LARKIN, senr.

The Irish Times

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 1944.

A Realist's View

Sanity as well as statesmanship informs the comments that were made by the Minister for Local Government and Public Health before the Old I.R.A. Debating Society on the vexed subject of partition. Mr. MacEntee was speaking before a critical audience, and had not an easy job; but, whatever may be this Minister's faults in other directions—and, in common with all mortals, he is not free from faults—he never has lacked courage, moral any less than physical; and it certainly took some courage to speak as he spoke on Monday night. During the last twenty-five years the approach of Southern politicians to the partition problem has been almost uniformly deplorable. Most of them have taken the attitude that the best way to gain the affections of a bull is to wave a red rag at it; and the lack of intelligence displayed in the circulation of such an egregious document as "The Orange Terror" unhappily is typical of the way in which our would-be wonder workers have been addressing themselves to a task which demands the highest possible qualities of constructive statecraft. Even Mr. de Valera, who, as Minister for External Affairs, has scored many notable successes, and whose speech on one occasion at Geneva earned him world-wide repute, seems to be utterly incapable of rational or even moderate thought when he comes to deal with the problem of the Six Counties. His solution, apparently, is to create in the Twenty-six Counties an exclusively Irish-speaking community, the magnetic idealism of which will exert an irresistible attraction on the denizens of the Shankill and Sandy row. A more grotesquely impossible idea never was conceived in the mind of man. Others seem to think that the wisest way to end partition is to heap abuse upon the North as if the inhabitants of the Six Counties had a monopoly of religious and political bigotry, and to brand them before the world as a race of twentieth-century bashi-bazouks. Having exhausted their spleen against the Orangemen—and, to persons of this type, every inhabitant of the Six Counties who is not a Roman Catholic is an Orangeman—they proceed to throw the blame for partition upon the British Government, apparently taking the fantastic view that Irish unity could be achieved by a simple scrape of a pen in an office in Whitehall. What they all fail to realise is that partition, fundamentally, is a condition of mind rather than a political or geographical circumstance. That is why they all are so futilely wrong, and Mr. MacEntee is so strikingly and wholesomely right.

One of Mr. de Valera's deficiencies as an Irish statesman is the fact that he knows nothing whatever about the North. Unfortunately, his ignorance is shared by a majority of his Cabinet colleagues. Mr. MacEntee is an outstanding exception. A native of Belfast, this Minister knows what he is talking about in relation to the Six Counties, and the people of the South would do well to hearken to his advice. It is a sad fact that, since the establishment of the Free State, and particularly since the outbreak of war, the two parts of our sundered island have been drifting farther and farther away from each other. No sensible effort ever has been made in the South to bridge the steadily widening gulf; and the wild talk of some of the more enthusiastic apostles of unity merely has exacerbated an already baffling situation. Mr. MacEntee counsels less talk and more thought about partition. He declares that the plan of a solution by force not only is impracticable, but is wholly to be deplored. Even if such a solution were possible, a condition of affairs would be created which would be even worse than the existing condition; for Ireland would be united only on the map, and the Government would be faced with a "Sudeten" problem which might be as fatal to Ireland as it was to Czechoslovakia. Mr. MacEntee deprecated the use of propaganda on the general ground that two could play at that game, and that a radio campaign inevitably must develop into a spitting competition across the border. The Minister averred that the only intelligent policy was to foster relations of friendship and good neighbourliness between the South and the North. As Irishmen, he said, there were many spheres in which political and constitutional issues could be left on one side, and the people could join and co-operate. He instanced the cases of sport, of agriculture, and of "the exploitation and development of those natural resources and industries in which we have a common interest." We do not suggest that Mr. MacEntee's speech will evoke an instant response from the other side of the border, but we do suggest that if Eire had more men like him at the head of affairs the partition problem would tend to shed many of its more formidable bristles. His fearless realism stands out in refreshing contrast against the background of frothy make-believe in which the problem of partition usually is discussed. The people of the North, whatever may be their shortcomings, at least are realists. When that fact is accepted on this side of the border the dawn of hope will be at hand.

Oranges and Lemons

Yesterday oranges—the first for many months—appeared again in the Dublin shops. The warm, glowing colour, the succulent shape and scent, must have set many a mouth watering; and a faint nostalgia for the golden days before the war must have touched many hearts at the sight of the mounds of delicious fruit. Yet who has been able to profit by this unexpected import? The controlled price is a fair one; it puts the oranges within the reach of ordinary people, and it eliminates a system of auctioning under which the whole benefit would go to those with the deepest purses. For so much many men and women, as they peel their oranges, may feel grateful. Nevertheless, one cannot help feeling that this is not enough. Oranges are more than a tempting luxury; they are an important source of vitamins, and are of the greatest value to growing children. In Britain a highly organised system of rationing has ensured that oranges shall be reserved for children, who need them most, and it has even been made possible for mothers who are unable to afford the comparatively low fixed price to get a share of orange juice for their children free of charge. Such concessions mean expenditure from the public purse; but are not children worth expense? In many other similar matters the "godless" land beyond the Channel is ahead of this Christian country. Cod liver oil, a vital reinforcement to a war-time diet, is available cheaply or free. Here it is available only for those children whose parents can afford it. Need one add that, in most cases, these are the children who need it least? Even before its birth the British child is cherished. Regular payments are made to the wives of serving soldiers when a baby is expected, and special rations of wool are provided in order that the new arrival may find its wardrobe properly stocked. In Ireland the baby has to be equipped with napkins—of which, it seems, the average infant requires a considerable number—at a high price, and three coupons for each napkin must be supplied from the mother's book. As regards clinics, nurseries, nursery-schools and the like, there is no need for comparison. In these twenty-six counties they are very little more than a beautiful idea; it has been left for abandoned Britain to give the idea reality. One cannot help feeling that a State which recognises in its Constitution the sanctity of the family owes a little more practical consideration to its children.

THE Hon. Mrs. Bryan Bourke and her son have arrived in Dublin from Naas, and are staying at the Royal Hibernian Hotel.

Mrs. Loftus Bryan, who was staying at the Royal Hibernian Hotel last week, has left Dublin.

Major and Mrs. Pollock have arrived in Dublin from Kingscourt, Co. Cavan.

Miss Chrystal Doyne has arrived in Dublin from Newtownbarry.

Major J. Bagwell has arrived in Dublin from Co. Cork, and is staying at the Shelbourne Hotel.

The Rt. Hon. the Lord Mayor, Ald. Martin O'Sullivan; Dr. Lorcan Sherlock, LL.D., and Senator James Crosbie will be speaking at the annual general meeting of the City of Dublin Skin and Cancer Hospital, Hume street, on Thursday next at 4 p.m.

The engagement is announced of Frank, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Harwood, Grayson, Benbaun, Revington Park, Limerick, and Irene Jane, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Winder, Roxboro', Newcastle, Galway.

Doctor J. Murray Hayden has returned to 41 Fitzwilliam square.

Mr. F. J. Morrin has returned to 14 Fitzwilliam place.

St. John's Ambulance Brigade in Ireland. — There are still a few tickets available for the annual dance in the Gresham Hotel, Friday 21st April, 1944, 10 p.m. to 3 a.m., at 12s. 6d. each. May be purchased from the hotel.

A beautiful collection of "Christy" Model Felts in all the loveliest colours is being shown in Switzers Millinery Salon; also a charming variety of "Peaks" and Tams.

New clothes are an outward and visible sign of belief in the future, of brighter days ahead. A visit to Walpoles just now will show that they, too, believe in and are prepared for the future. There you will see Tailored and Fancy Blouses in a variety of lovely materials, Tailored Suits perfect in cut, make and quality; Smart Hats in a choice collection of exclusive designs; Wool Frocks, with long and short sleeves, in a charming selection. All these possess the unmistakeable Walpole quality. A visit will place you under no obligation. — Walpoles, Suffolk street, Dublin.

A selection of fine woollen frocks with matching coats suitable for weddings are now showing at Femina, Ltd., also smart tailored suits and coats. Prices moderate. Inspection invited at 9 Wicklow st.

Fuel Shortage — Mitchell's Cafe, Restaurant and Blue Peter Snack Bar, 9, 10 and 11 Grafton street, will not open each morning until 10 a.m. and will close each Saturday at 2.30 p.m.

Leaders of Fashion in all Spectacle wear. — Dixon and Hempenstall, Grafton street.

Glen Check Costume, smartly tailored, £8 12s. 6d.—Slynes, Ltd., 71 Grafton street.

Walking, working, dancing, or at ease—there's a style for every occasion at Stephens & Bourke.

Flowers for special occasions from "Polly" Florist, Rathmines. Tel. 92664.

Sharpley's, Specialists, Baby Linen, Nursery Accouchement Sets. Price List—2 Nassau street, Dublin.

STEPS TO END VANDALISM

In recent years the number of Civic Guards on duty in Dublin has been substantially increased, but the Minister for Justice is going to consult the Chief of the Police and his staff to ascertain what further measures may be possible to deal with the increase of wanton destruction of city property.

This is a direct result of a deputation from the Dublin Corporation which visited the Ministry at Government Buildings on Monday last. The members of the deputation were:—The Lord Mayor (Alderman M. O'Sullivan), Councillor J. Larkin, Alderman E. Benson, Alderman P. S. Doyle, Alderman A. Byrne, Councillor B. Butler, Councillor J. McCann, Councillor M. Dockrell, and Councillor C. Breathnach, all of whom are members of the Dail. The deputation was accompanied by the City Manager, and the Minister by the Secretary of the Department and the Assistant Secretary.

The Lord Mayor emphasised the urgent necessity for action in the matter and appealed to the Minister to give the position his fullest consideration and help, which, he said, would be very much appreciated by the Corporation and the citizens.

The Minister said that he was very much impressed with the views that were put forward.

QUESTIONS IN THE DAIL

FUEL FOR SUGAR FACTORIES

At Question Time, the Minister for Supplies, Mr. SEAN LEMASS, told Mr. J. Hughes (F.G.) that no firm assurance could be given to farmers who were now contracting to grow sugar beet that fuel supplies would be available to operate the four factories for the campaign season, but that this fact should not affect in any way the best acreage to be contracted for by farmers. Every possible effort would be made to ensure that fuel supplies would be available.

Asked by the same deputy what allocation of anthracite he intended to make available for the coming six months to domestic users, hotels and others who had anthracite cookers unsuitable for any other type of fuel, Mr. Lemass said that it was obviously impossible in the present critical coal position to give a categorical reply. The quantities of anthracite that might be authorised for purchase by owners of these cookers would be announced from month to month, but, while every effort would be made to distribute the available supplies as equitably as possible, no assurance could be given that any coal would be available in any particular month for domestic purposes after the needs of industries essential to the life of the community had been met.

Answering Alderman A. Byrne (Ind.), Mr. LEMASS said that, despite difficulties due to insufficiency of skilled labour and mining equipment, the output of coal from Irish collieries had been increased by 60 per cent. over that of 1939, and efforts to effect further increases were being continued.

CLOTHING PRICES

Mr. LEMASS told Ald. A. Byrne (Ind.) that he was satisfied that the increase in the prices of children's clothing and footwear were due to causes beyond control, such as higher costs of materials and production. The prices and profits of the manufacturers of these articles were under control, as well as the prices of the materials from which they were manufactured, so far as those were controllable in this country.

The Emergency Powers (Cloth and Clothing) (Maximum Prices) Order, 1943, would be amended in the near future, and would control, also the prices of blankets, sheets and bedding, Mr. LEMASS told Mr. Cafferky (Ind.).

CIGARETTE SALES

Mr. JAMES LARKIN, junr. (Lab.) asked the Minister for Supplies whether he had received complaints that shopkeepers, though having supplies of Irish manufactured cigarettes and matches had declined to supply customers in an effort to sell stocks of foreign manufactured cigarettes and matches, and thus secure the higher profit margin on such imported goods, and if so, if he would state if he were taking any action.

Mr. LEMASS replied that he had received only two complaints of the nature referred to, both of which were being investigated and related to cigarettes. In one case proceedings were taken in the courts and a fine was imposed, and in the other the question of instituting proceedings were being considered.

OBITUARY

MR. M. T. O'MALLEY

Mr. M. T. O'Malley, 106 Phibsboro' road, whose death has occurred after a short illness, was one of the pioneers of Pitman's shorthand in Dublin, and his work was much appreciated by the late Sir Isaac Pitman. In the early 'nineties, he organised the Dublin Shorthand-writers' Association, and later the Irish Society of Arts and Commerce, the Shorthand-writers' Institute, as well as the Pitman Fellowship, of which he was one of the Presidents, and held the position of secretary for a number of years. His knowledge of the theory was so great that he was appointed as examiner to the old Intermediate Education Board. Mr. O'Malley was the author of "Shorthand in Ireland," and was connected with the firm of Messrs. Montgomery and Son, Auctioneers, Suffolk street, for over fifty years.

MR. WILLIAM CHAMNEY

M. William Chamney, of 15 Elgin road, Dublin, and Schomberg, Bray, died on Monday last, at the age of 89. Born in Dublin, he was the son of William Graves Chamney, barrister-at-law, and was educated at Cheltenham College. He was a Justice of the Peace for Co. Wicklow and was an official of the Royal Bank of Ireland, and for many years manager of the Baggot street branch. He was a well known member of the Church of Ireland, and was connected with St. Patrick's Cathedral since 1878, and for many years a member of the Cathedral Board.

He also took an interest in many of the Dublin charities, and was for a long time hon. secretary of the Dublin Working-Boys' Home. Mr. Chamney became a Mason in 1899, and Master of his Lodge in 1912. He also attained to the 30th degree, and was a Governor of both the boys' and girls' Masonic Schools.

REV. GEORGE FREEMAN

The Rev. George Freeman, Rector of Groomsport, Co. Down, died suddenly yesterday, aged 39. He was taking part in a discussion group meeting at the residence of Dr. Nixon on Monday night, when he had a seizure and became unconscious. The son of an ex-sergeant in the R.I.C., he was educated at Kilkenny College, and was ordained in 1932 as Curate of St. Michael's, Belfast. Subsequently, he served in St. Peter's and St. Katherine's, and in 1938 was appointed to Groomsport. He was honorary secretary of the Clerical Refresher Course at Castlerock, and of the Irish Church Association.

MR. J. ST. P. MACARDLE

Mr. John St. Patrick Macardle, who died at his residence, Granade, 40 Ailesbury road, Dublin, yesterday, was a member of the well-known Dundalk family. Aged about 80 years, he was managing director of the firm of Macardle, Moore and Co., Dundalk, brewers, and a director of the Alpha Trust and Kinahan Bros. At one time he was Chairman of the Brewers' Association, and patented a number of inventions in connection with the brewing industry which are in extensive use to-day. For a time High Sheriff of Louth, he was a well-known huntsman, and was always keenly interested in sport.

ALLOWANCES FOR CHILDREN

Orders made by the Minister for Industry and Commerce under the Children's Allowances Act and laid on the table of the Dail show that the first payment period for children's allowances for Region No. 1 (Leinster) will be 26 weeks, commencing on August 1st next; for Region No. 2 (Munster), 30 weeks, commencing on August 1st next, and for Region No. 3 (Connaught, and Counties Cavan, Donegal and Monaghan), 34 weeks, commencing on the same date.

The qualifying date as regards children's ages in relation to the first payment period for each region shall be May 1st

CRUISKEENLAWN

By Myles na gCopaleen

I RETURN with a show of diffidence to this monstrous charge laid (and jointed in neat sentiment) at my door (No 31) by Mr. O'Faolain, the writer. Everyone in town knows about it now people whispering in the street staring at my car nudging each other vulgar giggling it is unbearable I shall have to speak to Kinnane about it. "Lookut!" they urge each other "*Your maasan!*" And I wouldn't mind oney Misther O'Faolain says he's illiterate couldn't athring twelve words together to save his life? They forget—most odi-rist profamumb vul-guzzlers — that, alone, almost a non-N.T.-ty indeed, and more of a nocturnalist than a journalist. I was the first to discover that a girl in a halo hat should be described as a nimbus-heel, if at all. Gratitude! I might have pared my spines, sorry speared my pines! I was called turncoat! Nocturnquote would have been more like it! They forget my discovery about operasingers—that if you're not careful they'll singe any opera on you. They forget—monstrous mind-sweepers!—my Outlaw Courts (on the Black Quays), my utterly frustrated oide fixe, a skull-chap with crossed bonus, my little Osta-reich, Switzerland, and laced but not leased, my special ohm-made alternating currant jam, alternating, I mean, with plumb jam, most gothic conjure! Now, if you please, because I have fallen a little out of the fish in, sorry fashion, I am a . . . phoney expresswriter! a mere . . . panamerican jandrum! a . . . a portergeist—hardly a man at all! . . . What I have is not the last word but the second last word so, egad, I am a mere penuls vendor! Soft, peddler of a P.E.N.-insular Pat-ois, searcher for the per-hapax Eir-omenon, humble virtuoso of the padded cell-o, philadelphous expheney, holder of the Photo-Electric Chair in the . . . university of . . . Life, I mean, these are the things that are now cast in my face—of all places! I have half a mind to close the lab., pack my bugs and leave these petticoasts for ever with my polyglosses, my palimpsests, my polygons and pally goons in my antiseptic small-pock-et, and without even a glance at that architectural P.S. de Résistance, the G.P.O. I mean what future is there in this country for fellows of mice, damp? I can't see myself ending my days at Paunchestown exchanging yarns with members of the horse-paying (stet) purse-uasion. (I hear the Customs crowd are very hard on that now. Exchanging yarns, I mean.) I should settle down with members of the Rat-Pères Assocn. and blast my way into senility in a sweat of race-mayonnaise, rooseveltanschauung and callerherrinvolkslieder! I would leave this teetotalitarian Rheumania with its Roinn-taileo *manques*, oratorical red-herrin-folk and other three-room-antic rhumbaciles only I have half a mind. (And anyway what is there to chose between ridirí na craoibhe ruaidhe and r. na krivoi rog?) Mr. O'F. true, thinks of me as a sort of . . . seán-culotte, a sinn-feigner, expert in shilly-shallelagh, a class of a sciolist succès fuastha. Why make me the scapesheep? Who described me as 'sui Guimesses'? Who spread the rumour that I am an allen mavourneen, a spoiled suez-cide with a bold henery-morganatic mate, a poor symphony consort lying in some far foreign semit-syrie? I swear there's nothing in it—I looked. (Seoirse, la femme!) The truth is I'm as native a séad d'ceuvre as shelf-government. I'm even the man who called Reynolds a succès de steam! Founder of the Irish 'Tecs Society, sometime Town Clerklow, investigator of over-stimulated That-roid in Siamese twins, Head Stemmer of the foreign tongue-tide, inventor of the (gin and) tonic sulphur, advocate of the *truath* sensemble, I have all my life stood four-square against Ticknockracy. Tereneuralgia, and podagraculture. Frivolity I have for years denied myself; not for me the trihirsutedine trance of classes of brandy (or O Broin Dighe if you prefer) not in my halls sound the gay tooth piccolo, the sad triple bass, the uxorious ultra-viola, the vapid villain-cello, the rural yokel-ele, the sophisticated West Clarinet—far from me such westbrittle foolery! No waiter-diviner massages my varicose vines. Pity me in this wilderness my only friends vigil-aunties, untergangsters and other wearisome waamsayers to the never-ceasing accompaniment of whine-women . . . and Synge! Twelve words? Well well well. My word!

RUSH FOR ORANGES

Oranges and lemons were on sale from an early hour yesterday in Dublin city and suburbs. Outside one shop in Grafton street a queue formed before the doors were opened at 9 a.m. Throughout the day assistants were busy dealing with orders.

Each customer was rationed to a dozen oranges and to six lemons, the latter being reduced to three two hours after the opening hour at noon the lemon supply was exhausted. The sale of oranges continued all day. Prices ruled at 1s. 3d. per lb. for oranges, and smaller ones 2s. 6d. per dozen. The lemons were sold at 1s. 7d. per lb.

Another consignment of oranges and lemons has arrived in Dublin.

IRISH WILLS

Miss Ann Kiddell Dawson, St. Joseph's Convent, Edmonton, London—£6,224 (gross in Eire); John Emile Leveroni, Albert road, Glenageary, Co. Dublin—£1,894 (gross in Eire); Charles Doherty, Lagnahooney, Donegal—£1,986 (gross in Eire); Miss Elisabeth Henry, of 34 Hartington street, Belfast, £1,536 (Britain); Dr. Henry Grattan Guinness Day, of Cavangarden, Ballyahanon, Co. Donegal, £35,582 (Britain); Mrs. Muriel Pauline Crofts, of Renville, Oranmore, Co. Galway, £8,452 (Britain); Mrs. Mary Burke, of The Square, Abbeyfeale, Co. Limerick, £2,494 (Britain); Dr. William Caldwell, of 14 Harcourt street, Dublin, £3,314 (Britain).

WEDDING

O'CONNELL—CONSTANT.—The wedding took place yesterday in the Collegiate Chapel, University College, Cork, of Dr. E. J. O'Connell, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. O'Connell, Maymount, Sunday's Well, to Miss Georgette Constant, youngest daughter of Mrs. Rose Constant and the late Mr. K. Constant, Dunpedraig, Model Farm road, Cork. The Rev. R. Scriven, M.S.C., Sacred Heart College, officiated. Mr. Frank O'Connell, brother of the groom, was best man, and Miss Marguerite Constant, sister of

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

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BIRTHS

ARDILL—April 13, 1944, at St. Brigid's Nursing Home, Carlow, to Eileen wife of A. E. Ardill, Ardeen, Carlow, a son.

COUTTS—April 13, 1944, at the Harcourt Nursing Home, to Katherine, wife of J. A. Coutts, Charleville, New Townpark, Co. Dublin, a son.

FLETCHER—April 3, 1944, at the Harcourt Nursing Home, to Marjorie (née Kennan) and Michael D. Fletcher, 66 Rushy Park road, Terenure, a son.

GROGOCK—April 13, 1944, at the Rotunda Hospital, to Rhoda, wife of Joseph A. Grococok, Delmaine Cottage, Tibradden, a son (Richard Edward).

MARRIAGES

ALEXANDER and BASKIN—April 8, 1944, at St. Philip's Church, Milltown, by the Rev. W. H. Coulter, Dr. Kenneth son of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Alexander, 29 Villiers road, Rathgar, to Oonagh, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Baskin, 54 St. Kevin's Park, Rathmines.

BERRY and WRAY—March 4, 1944, at Portrush Presbyterian Church, by Rev. J. S. Fyper; W. H. Berry, elder son of Mrs. Berry and the late Mr. Frank Berry, of No. 49 Belgrave road, Darwen, Lancs., to S. L. Wray, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Wray, 9 Dhu Varren, Portrush.

DORNAN and WEST—April 4, 1944, at St. Fin Barre's Cathedral, Cork, by the Rev. R. Bryan, M.A., Robert James Dornan, younger son of Mr. and Mrs. Dornan, Craigs, Cleaver Park, Belfast, to Matilda Margaret West, M.A., elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. West, Muskerry Villas, Western road, Cork.

GIBSON and KENNY—February 16, 1944, at St. Michael's Church, Dun Laoghaire, by the Rev. J. Dudaney, C.C., Dun Laoghaire; Lieutenant D. D. Gibson, A.M.S., son of Michael J. and Mrs. Gibson, Rookmount, Kilkee, and Evelyn, daughter of James F. and Mrs. Kenny, Mountrath.

STUART and McCOOK—April 10, 1944, at Alla Church, Claudy, Co. Londonderry, by the Rev. W. B. Evans, M.A.; Charles Edward Barry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles James Stuart, Bank of Ireland House, Londonderry, to Claire Edith, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander McCook, Killogue Ballymoney, Co. Antrim.

WILLIAMSON and LUNN—April 1, 1944, at Pomphlett Methodist Church, Devon, by the Rev. H. S. Collins, M.A.; Frank T. Williamson, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Williamson, of Cork, to Ruth Winifred, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lunn, 9 University avenue, Belfast.

DEATHS

CHAMNEY—April 17, 1944, at Dublin, William Chamney, J.P., of 15 Elgin road, and Schomberg, Bray, Co. Wicklow, aged 86 years. Funeral arriving Mount Jerome to-day (Wednesday) at 9 a.m No flowers.

COUTTS—April 13, 1944, at the Harcourt Nursing Home, to Katherine, wife of J. A. Coutts, Charleville, New